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RESPONSE TO SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice dated March 19, 2003, indicating that the previous Response to Species Election Requirement was incomplete. In particular, the Examiner also required applicants to elect a species from the group of either skeletal, cardiac or smooth muscle.

In response thereto, applicants elect skeletal muscle. The claims reading on this species (and on the VEGF species) are claims 1, 2, 5-7, 10-15 and 18, 21-29, 31, 33-35, 37, 39 and 40. It is to be understood that this election of species is for the purposes of preliminary search and examination only, and that upon allowance of a generic claim, applicants will be entitled to

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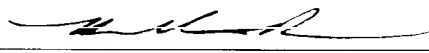
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